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25X1 MEMORANDUM FOR

SUBJECT: Scope Cotton Actions

Forwarded herewith for necessary action are Scope Cotton Action Items 1001 thru 1023.

Your estimate of the completion date for each item is requested.

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USAF review(s) completed.

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SCOPE COTTON ACTIONS

1001. Suspend any further airframe and engine spares and AGE orders, except those deemed mandatory for safety of flight or otherwise deemed critical, pending reassessment.

1002. Suspend any equipment or mod kit procurements not yet obligated (airframes, guidance, cameras, airborne electronics, pilot equipment), pending reassessment.

25X1 1003. Suspend all [] development projects not yet obligated which are exclusively or primarily related to Oxcart, pending reassessment.

1004. Suspend any Aircraft General R&D projects not yet obligated which are exclusively or primarily related to Oxcart, pending reassessment.

25X1 1005. Suspend any new construction or facilities improvements [] pending reassessment.

25X1 1006. Freeze all Oxcart-associated military personnel now in place [] at Langley and stop all replacement actions.

1007. Suspend any new or replacement hiring of contractor personnel unless mandatory to retain capability.

1008. Reassess requirement for Kadena Oxcart support (e.g. present, less, or none).

1009. Reassess flying hour program for calendar year 1967 including determination of flight test and training program needs (n.b. BOB/OSD study assumed a specific flying hour program).

1010. Reassess all actions suspended under 1001 thru 1009 above.

1011. Reassess need for Lockheed sustaining engineers, and develop phase-down schedule thru Dec 1967.

1012. Re-examine IRAN scheduling, overhaul and repair needs (airframes, guidance, cameras, airborne electronics), []

1013. For Oxcart peculiar airframe and engine spares, examine base stockage levels, depot stockage levels, on order quantities, and Kadena stocks versus forecast requirements thru December 1967. Establish objective of being at absolute minimum level at end December 1967.

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1014. Determine when the radar range should be closed down, and disposition of equipment assets.

1015. In connection with Y-J engine overhauls, determine extent to which spare engines can be used in lieu of factory overhaul. Develop new overhaul schedule accordingly.

1016. Determine whether J58 engine R&D program for Y-J engines should be curtailed or stopped, and when.

1017. Determine whether any further effort on EKC Type 2 Cameras should continue, [REDACTED]

1018. Re-examine procurements, mods, countermeasure developments and aircraft general R&D projects which have been obligated to date, and which are solely or primarily for Oxcart, from the standpoint of possible termination actions taking into account possible applications or adjustments to the benefit of U-2R and/or SR-71 aircraft.

1019. Develop mothballing concept and plan, including costs, location, security, etc. Locations to be considered should include [REDACTED]

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1020. Determine tanker, chase and administrative aircraft requirements during CY1967 and after January 1, 1968.

1021. Develop phase-down and close-out plan [REDACTED] to include government personnel, contractor personnel, equipment, supplies, etc. and costs incident thereto.

1022. Reassess FY67 Oxcart funding requirements in view of phase-down related actions being taken.

1023. Make recommendations as to disposition of facilities [REDACTED]

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